

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

The Modern Prayer.

Oh Lord, I come to thee in prayer once more;
But pardon that I do not kneel before
Thy gracious presence—for my knees are sore
With too much walking. In my chair
I sit at ease, and humbly bow my head.

I've labored in thy vineyard, thou dost know;
I've sold ten tickets to the minstrel show.
I've called on fifteen strangers in our town.
Their contributions to our church put down,
I've baked a pot of beans for Wednesday's tea.
An "Old Time Supper" it is going to be.
I've dreamed three dollars for our annual fair,
And made a cake which we will raffle there.

Now, with thy boundless wisdom so sublime,
Thou knowest that these duties all take time.

I have no time to fight my spirit's foe,
I have no time to mend my husband's coat.
My children roam the streets from morn till night,
I have no time to teach them to do right.

But thou, oh Lord, considering my cares,
Will count them righteous, and heed my prayers.
Bless the bean supper and the minstrel show,
And put it in the hearts of all to go.
Induce all visitors to patronize the fair,
The one who in our programmes advertise.

Because I've chased those merchants till they hid
Whenever they saw me coming—yes, they did.

Increase the contributions to our fair,
And bless the people who assemble there.
Bless thou the grab-bag and the gypsy tent,
The flower table and the cake that's sent.

May our whilst club be to thy service blest,
The dancing party gayer than the rest.
And when thou hast bestowed those blessings—thou
We pray that thou wilt bless our souls.

—Caroline A. Walker.

Miss Watt Here.

Miss Leila Watt, of Guelph, Ontario, who is at the head of the Mission to Lepers in Canada, is now in the city, stopping with Miss Spitzer, No. 115 East Franklin Street. Miss Watt recently made a visit to Boston, where, in behalf of the Leper Mission, she delivered an address to an audience composed of four hundred ministers and a large number of the laity.

On Wednesday afternoon, May 3d, at 2 o'clock, Miss Watt will speak before the Richmond auxiliary to this mission at Grace Episcopal Church.

All persons interested in this cause are cordially invited to be present and hear Miss Watt's address.

Maupin—Watts.

A prominent Portsmouth wedding, in which Richmond friends were interested, was that of Miss Maupin, daughter of Judge and Mrs. Leigh R. Maupin, of Portsmouth, Va., to Mr. Edward Watts Maupin, Jr., son of Mr. E. W. Maupin, of that city, the ceremony taking place in the home of the bride's parents, No. 202 Middle Street, at 10 o'clock, on Wednesday, May 3d.

The bride was attended by her four sisters—Mrs. Goodrich Hatten, Miss Anne Maupin Watts, Miss Mattie Leigh Watts, and Miss Winifred Watts. The bridesmaids were Misses Edna, Ethel, and Lillian Maupin. House decorations, profuse and beautiful, were in pink, roses, pink honeysuckle and gladioli.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a white embryo dress, a tulle veil and carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley and bride roses.

Mrs. Hatten, the matron of honor, was in white lace and carried La France; Miss Winifred Watts, the maid of honor, was in white lace and carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley and bride roses.

Mrs. Samuel Watts was best man. A reception followed the ceremony. Then Mr. and Mrs. Maupin left for a Northern bridal tour.

At Atlantic City.

Miss Ellen Glasgow accompanied by her sister, Miss Rebo, is spending the month of May at Atlantic City, a popular resort with Southerners at this season of the year.

Miss Glasgow has taken a cottage in the Adirondack Mountains for the summer and will go there with Miss Rebo from Atlantic City. It is said that the celebrated Virginia authoress has already begun work on a new book and that she will continue it during the summer.

Guest of Mrs. Cabell.

Mrs. Klein, of San Francisco, California, whose husband has been engaged in journalism there for a number of years, is the guest of Mrs. Robert G. Cabell, at No. 160 Grove Avenue.

Mrs. Klein says that conditions in San Francisco, immediately after the earthquake and fire and at the present time beggar descriptions being for more terrible than any one can imagine from newspaper accounts. Mrs. Klein and Mr. Klein, like many others, suffered losses by the disaster.

Mrs. Smith's Assistants.

The following ladies will assist Mrs. Thomas Smith at the candy and basket booth at Sacred Heart Fair:

Mrs. A. A. Hungerford, Mrs. T. R. Burke, Mrs. Alvin Smith, Mrs. P. P. Ryan, Mrs. George Lawson, Mrs. P. P. Burke, Mrs. J. J. Redmond, Mrs. H. Robinson, Mrs. Gilloshy, Mrs. Rebeck, Mrs. Cummings, Mrs. Frank Anthony, Mrs. Annie Redmond, Agnes Shanks, Margaret Shanks, Mamie Hueston, Mamie Hungerford, Ella Hungerford, Lillie Savage, Mamie Ryall, Nanon Johnston, Ethel Burke, Mary Kane, Blanche McIntyre, Marie Anderson, Miss Melvin Murphy, Eliza Burke, Gay Redmond.

Lloyd—Wait.

Cards have been received for the wedding of Dr. John Janney Lloyd, Jr., and Miss Frances Wait, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edmund Wait, of Knoxville, Tenn.

The wedding will be celebrated in St. John's Episcopal Church, Thursday evening, May 17th, at 8:30 o'clock, the Rev. Dr. Arthur Lloyd, of New York, the father and uncle of the groom will officiate.

Dr. Lloyd formerly lived in Lynchburg, but has been recently located in charge of the medical department of a large lumber camp at Marbury, Alabama.

Unveiling of Peterkin Tablet.

The Rebekah Peterkin Memorial tablet will be unveiled at the Sheltering Arms

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Free Hospital, Tuesday, May 8th, at five o'clock in the afternoon.

This tablet is erected by the members of the Rebekah Peterkin Circle of the King's Daughters, of which Miss Peterkin was the first leader in 1888.

Rev. Wm. Meade Clarke and Dr. John N. Uphur will assist in the exercises, as will also Mrs. Clarence G. Burton, State secretary of the King's Daughters of Virginia. Mrs. M. W. Tatum is now leader of this circle with the following members:

Mrs. E. H. Peterkin, John O. Taylor, Wm. H. Nelson, Thos. B. Floyd, Thos. Christian, Chas. G. Taylor, Stephen H. Loring, H. L. Loring, George C. King, J. B. Kidd, Chas. Mason, Misses Annie Ball, Lillian Taylor, Rena King and Annie Jacobs.

Personal Mention.

Miss Nellie Vaden visited Miss Eva Martin, of Tarboro, N. C., last week.

Mr. Harry Dalton recently visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Dalton, in Blackstone, Va.

Master Douglas MacGregor is visiting his grandparents near Afion, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Henley and little son have returned to their home in Staunton, after a trip to Richmond.

Mrs. William Selcher has returned to her home in Palmyra, Va., after a visit to Richmond.

Mrs. J. H. Kinner, of Lynchburg, will arrive shortly to visit her sister, Mrs. H. E. Scott, in Fairmount.

Mrs. L. E. Chaloner, of Staunton, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. John M. Hanger.

Dr. and Mrs. A. L. F. Stratford, 315 East Main Street, have issued cards to a musical Thursday, May 10th, in honor of their nieces, Misses Stratford and O'Neale.

Mrs. Simeon L. of Manassas, Va., is the guest of friends in this city.

Misses Annie and Kate Roesser, of Madison county, are in Richmond. Miss Annie will enter a hospital for treatment.

Miss Allen Morris, of Pollard, Va., is the guest of Miss Dorothea Holland.

Miss Julia Dalby, of Jetersville, Va., is spending a week here.

Miss Mary Anderson, of Pollard, Va., is visiting friends here.

Mrs. William H. Rudd and Miss Lena Rudd, of Belona, Powhatan county, Va., spent several days in Richmond last week, attending the May Festival of the Wednesday Club.

Mrs. Mollie Blinn, of Claremont, Va., was the guest of relatives in Richmond last week.

Mrs. R. B. Gillespie, of Tazewell, is the guest of friends here.

Miss Sophie Cooper, of Franklin, Va., has come to Richmond to make her home with her brother, Mr. P. B. Cooper.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Barbee Betts, who were married in Mannboro, Va., on April 26th, have returned from their bridal tour, and are at home at No. 270 East Grace Street. Mrs. Betts was Miss Frances Coleman Snyder.

Mr. and Mrs. George L. Black and son visited Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Porter in Louisa county this week.

Mr. J. E. Finch, of Clarksville, Va., has accepted a position in Richmond, and will make his home here.

Miss Josephine Wingfield, of Ashland, is visiting friends here.

Mrs. A. F. Robertson has returned to her home in Staunton, after a visit to friends here.

Mrs. R. L. Barrett and Miss Kilburne Barrett, of Louisa, Va., were in Richmond last week.

Miss Bettie Richardson, of Frederick's Hall, is the guest of friends here.

Miss Frances Broadus, of Caroline county, visited friends in Richmond recently.

Mr. C. S. Wood, of Clarksville, Va., is in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nelson, who were married on April 25th, in Charleston, West Virginia, spent a part of their honeymoon in Richmond. Mrs. Nelson was Miss Mary Elizabeth Robson. The young couple will live at Manassas, Va.

Mrs. Harry A. Black and Mrs. John T. Harman have returned to Staunton, after a trip to Richmond.

Mrs. C. Breckenridge, of Fincastle, Va., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. John Easley.

Mr. R. B. Lunford, of this city, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. H. W. Lloyd, in Fredericksburg, leaves to-day for California, where he will act as inspector for a large fruit concern.

Miss Belle Page has returned to her home in Staunton, after a short visit to Richmond.

Dr. Edward McGuire and son, Hunter, are the guests of the former's mother, Mrs. Nancy McGuire, in Berryville, Va.

Dr. W. N. Wayman has returned to Staunton, after a business trip here.

Mrs. Charles Curry, of Staunton, is in

the city. She will leave shortly for Petersburg.

Messrs. C. M. Miller and William Rodgers, of McClung, Va., are in the city for an extended trip.

Mrs. John T. Harman, who has been visiting friends here, has returned to Staunton.

Mrs. F. D. Leoney and Mrs. A. M. Leoney will leave to-day for Hotel Monks, Bedford county, Va., for the summer.

Miss Arline Leoney, after spending several weeks in Washington, will join her mother at Hotel Monks.

Friends of the Institution are invited.

Free Union Academy.

Cadets Were Inspected Last Week by United States Officer.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

FORK UNION, VA., May 6.—Major John S. Mallory, of the United States Army, and of the general staff at Washington, has been here making the annual inspection of the military condition of the academy. The cadet battalion, in charge of Captain E. T. Winston, was out in its brightest array, and was subjected to a very strict inspection, and bore itself very handsomely.

During his stay at Fork Union Major Mallory, who, by the way, is a Virginian, was luncheon by Captain Winston, but for the most of the time was a guest at Carey Hall. He is an elegant gentleman, alert and faithful in duty, but brimming with humor. He evinced a sympathetic interest in the cadets and the school.

The commencement exercises of the academy will begin on Sunday, the 20th of May, ending on Wednesday night, when the final reception will take place at Dr. Hatcher's residence. The whole occasion will be of interesting features.

Plans for a new academy building have been adopted. It is to contain an auditorium, a dining room, and a skating rink, while all of the reception rooms, study hall, offices, music rooms, library, reading room, etc., are to be located in this building.

The academy has no debts, and proceeds cautiously in adding to its equipment. Already new students are enrolling for next session, and the friends of the school are full of hope.

REALTY SOLD WELL.

Property Value in Bedford City is Making Large Strides.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BEDFORD CITY, May 6.—The ready sale of the lots of the Burwell property on Friday and the high prices realized for them all are regarded as an index of the great increase in the value of real estate in Bedford City. One of the lots, not desirably located, brought \$1,450. The two properties, Avenel and Belmont, realized \$20,560.

Belmont Seminary, which was purchased by Mr. John D. Ballantyne for \$500,000, was in the day sold by him to Messrs. R. L. Elliott and Walter Fitzpatrick for the purchase price, who in turn sold the frame portion of the house, which was formerly the home of Dr. John V. Sato, and to which the large brick addition was added for the seminary, to Mr. S. M. Bolling, who will pay for the house, garden and front lawn \$3,500. Mr. Bolling will use it for his residence.

Messrs. Elliott and Fitzpatrick have not yet determined to what use they will put the large brick building, with its large beautifully shaded grounds.

MUST SERVE TERMS.

Negroes Arrested in Petersburg Sentenced in North Carolina.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PETERSBURG, VA., May 6.—Chief of Police Ragland heard to-day from Sheriff C. V. Varner of Yadlow, North Carolina, that John Cooper and Ben Gattling, two negroes arrested here several months ago, have been sentenced there to five years in the penitentiary for burglary. The men served terms in jail here, for carrying concealed weapons, and were recently taken to Nashville from this city.

THE NEGRO FARMERS.

Many Noted Agricultural Men Will Speak Wednesday.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PETERSBURG, VA., May 6.—A conference for colored farmers will be held next Wednesday at the John A. Dix Industrial School, near Dinwiddie Courthouse.

Spillman, of the United States Department of Agriculture, will make an address on the cultivation of peanuts, corn, tobacco and cotton; A. H. McNeill, of St. Paul, North Carolina, and Industrial School, will speak on "Soil Improvement," and F. D. Busbee, of Hampton Normal and Industrial Institute, on "Care and Value of Farm Animals."

Injured By a Fall.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PAIMYRA, VA., May 6.—Dr. J. C. Parker, attorney for the estate of Franklin, has been officially notified by Governor Claude A. Swanson that he has designated Judge E. W. Saunders, of Franklin county, to hold court at Courtland, Southampton county, on the 25th of May to hear motion for the annexation of certain territory to the town of Franklin.

A WELL-KNOWN MAN ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

Drank Three Bottles of Poison Before Fact Was Discovered By Family.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

SPENCER, N. C., May 6.—W. T. Brown, aged about forty years, to-day attempted to end his life at his home here by the use of laudanum. He was found in an unconscious condition, and it was by the most heroic methods that the drug was extracted from his stomach and antidotes administered. He is still in a precarious condition, with much chance for recovery.

Three bottles of the poison had been swallowed before the fact was discovered by the family.

GLASS UNOPOSED.

Less Than Half People of Lynchburg Have Right of Suffrage.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LYNCHBURG, VA., May 6.—When the books of City Treasurer Adams, closed last night for the payment of poll taxes as a pre-requisite to voting in the congressional election, in November, less than half of the persons assessed with these taxes had qualified themselves for the right of suffrage. The total assessment was 3,350 whites; 1,617 colored, and those who complied with the law numbered 2,067 whites, and 400 negroes.

It is generally estimated that the colored man class will be unopposed for re-election this year; hence the lack of interest in the matter.

Passenger Station Burned.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., May 6.—The Norfolk and Southern Railroad's freight depot and its contents and passenger station and a freight car standing on a siding near the depot were completely destroyed by fire at an early hour this morning. The flames threatened many cottages, but the attaches of the Princess Anne Hotel and the occupants of the cottages turned out to fight and succeeded in holding them in check.

Annual Memorial.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LYNCHBURG, VA., May 6.—The Lynchburg Aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles, observed its annual memorial services this afternoon at the Hill City Hall, when an interesting programme was rendered.

Mr. M. B. Hartman, one of the best known Eagles in Virginia, delivered an address on the principles of the order. The local Aerie had two deaths during the year, both of whom were well-known residents. There was a large crowd present at the memorial.

State Bank Organized.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PETERSBURG, VA., May 6.—Peoples Bank, of Blackstone, a State bank, has been organized, with a paid-up capital of thirty-five thousand dollars. John S. Epes is president, and W. M. Whitte is cashier.

School Examinations.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LAHORE, VA., May 6.—County Superintendent of Schools E. W. Scott opened his examination yesterday with a large attendance. Mr. Scott is alive to the significance of his work, and if Virginia was full of such school officials as he is, a wonderful and upward stride in education would mark the coming sessions of the schools.

Build Marble Palace.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LAHORE, VA., May 6.—W. G. Newman, the millionaire copper smelter, is planning the rebuilding of his marble palace on Mt. Athos, near Somerset. The new residence will surpass in grandeur the one destroyed by fire two years ago.

USED THE MAILS TO CONDUCT FRAUD

Used Letterhead of Well-Known Business House to Order Goods.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ROANOKE, VA., May 6.—J. J. Harman, Robins and his brother, Cleveland Robins, of Blackwater, Lea county, have been arrested by Postoffice Inspectors W. M. Calvert, of Roanoke, on the charge of using the mails for fraudulent purposes. Their case will be called to-morrow in the United States District Court at Abingdon.

The crimes charged against the two brothers extend over several years, and they have succeeded in defrauding business houses out of many thousands of dollars' worth of goods, which they would dispose of at the lowest prices for cash. The men were printers, and are charged with preparing letter heads and envelopes representing various Southwest Virginia business houses, and on their ordering goods, sometimes amounting to several hundred dollars and referring the firms to the Dun and Bradstreet commercial agencies for their ratings.

Goods were always shipped by the unsuspecting parties, who were asked to extend credit, and firms have been lured from Boston to St. Louis. It is well known that the postal authorities have a strong case, and these men will be prosecuted to the extent of the law.

FINEST NEGRO CHURCH IN WORLD

Many Prominent White People Took Part in Dedication in Norfolk.

MAYOR MADE AN ADDRESS Members Paid Five Dollars Each for Seats to Liquidate Debt.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., May 6.—The First Baptist Church of Norfolk, for colored people, and perhaps the finest negro church in the world, was dedicated here this afternoon. Many prominent white people took part in the exercises, among them being Mayor James G. Riddick, who made the introductory address; the Rev. Dr. Richard B. Garrett, pastor of the Court Street Baptist Church, of Portsmouth, one of the most influential Baptist churches in the State, preached the sermon of the occasion, and Mr. H. K. Wolcott, a leader of the Norfolk bar. Many other white people were present for the exercises.

COST FIFTY THOUSAND.

The church, cost upwards of \$50,000. It is of stone and brick, designed after the Court Street Baptist Church, of Portsmouth, which planted the first colored church here in the year 1800. It has a seating capacity of 2,500. Its congregation number 1,600. Most of the debt on the church has been paid, and to raise money to pay the unpaid part of it most of the members of the church, to the number perhaps of 1,200, paid five dollars each for their seats. The white people present were also liberal contributors to the church building fund.

Rev. B. H. Doreling, D. D., a young, enlightened and progressive man, is pastor of the church.

MAYORALTY CANDIDATE.

Few Changes Will Be Made in Town Council of Franklin.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

FRANKLIN, VA., May 6.—Mr. C. C. Vaughan, Sr., president of Vaughan and Company, bankers, of this place, announced himself as candidate for Mayor of the town of Franklin on the 3d. He will have no opposition. Mr. Vaughan is pretty well acquainted with the duties of Mayor, as he has had to serve as acting Mayor in a number of instances when Mr. Watkins, the present Mayor, was away. Dr. J. F. Bryant, the well known physician, of this place, will take Mr. Vaughan's place on the Council, if the latter is elected. No other changes on the present Council will be made at the coming election, to be held this fall. Mr. Vaughan has been president of the Council for some time, and has filled the place faithfully and given his untiring efforts in that direction. There is no one in Franklin better qualified to handle the affairs of the town than Mr. Vaughan, who is treasurer of the Homebased Fire Insurance Corporation, of this place, and holds other important positions as well.

Wired and Grounded Pain.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

POTTSTOWN, VA., May 6.—Borough Electrician William H. Pillion, Friday forbidding the sale of soda water, ice cream, cigars, cigarettes, etc., on the Sabbath, was rigidly enforced to-day, and Portsmouth was a dry town indeed. While there was much dissatisfaction expressed with the new law, things, however, were not so serious as a violation of the Mayor's orders. The drug stores did not close up, as they threatened to do, in retaliation.

Blue Law Enforced.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., May 6.—The blue law decrees of Mayor Reed, of Portsmouth, forbidding the sale of soda water, ice cream, cigars, cigarettes, etc., on the Sabbath, was rigidly enforced to-day, and Portsmouth was a dry town indeed. While there was much dissatisfaction expressed with the new law, things, however, were not so serious as a violation of the Mayor's orders. The drug stores did not close up, as they threatened to do, in retaliation.

Girls Kidnapped AND TIED TO TREES

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WELLESLEY, MASS., May 6.—Class fighting between the Junior and Sophomore classes of Wellesley reached a climax Friday when five juniors were kidnapped and carried two miles from the college, where they were tied to trees. One girl fainted from fright and had to be sent back to her room.

The captives were forced to remain in their undignified positions against the trees for three hours and listen to jeers and taunts against the class to which they belonged.

The class scrapping among the girls this year has reached such a stage that the college authorities are contemplating a plan for stopping it altogether. Heretofore the annual scramble has never lasted longer than one day and the troubles were in the best of humor. The trouble at present is in getting the members of the older classes say the clashes have passed those bounds which mark the limit beyond which no refined college girl can go in class fighting.

Dr. Woolfolk Improving.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LAHORE, VA., May 6.—Dr. E. Woolfolk, one of the most prominent physicians and farmers of Orange county, has steadily improved since his return from a specialist in Washington last week. Dr. Woolfolk is, and has long been, chairman of the Democratic party in this county.

Yield Will Be Large.